

# What's Happening Wednesday

## Kansas Immunization Program



**VFC Nurse on Call** - The nurse on call for next week is Becky Prall at [bprall@kdheks.gov](mailto:bprall@kdheks.gov). The nurse on call can be reached at 785-296-5592.



**August 17, 2016**

## Chief Chat

August is National Immunization Awareness Month, and in this issue of What's Happening Wednesday, you will find information about tools provided through the National Public Health Information Coalition to assist you in promoting awareness. This week's focus is immunizations for babies and young children. The [NIAM Babies and Young Children Vaccine Awareness toolkit online](#) provides communication tips and other resources to promote immunizations to pregnant women. Next week's focus is on the importance of vaccinations for preteens and teens. You may want to explore the [NIAM Preteen and Teen toolkit online](#).

We discovered this week that there was an error in the job posting for the North Central Regional Immunization Nurse Consultant. The original posting had a much lower hourly pay than the actual \$20.13. The posting has been corrected and may be found on the [State of Kansas job site](#), requisition 1884450.

We are getting many reports of providers having higher than expected turnout for back to school vaccinations. If you are having challenges with the number of vaccines you have on hand, please contact your Regional Immunization Nurse (if you are in the North Central Region, please contact the Nurse on call) and we will work with you to assist. We do not want to see any missed opportunities to vaccinate!

As was announced in a Special Alert to all VFC providers on Friday, Influenza vaccine is now available to start ordering. We received 16% of our pre-book on Friday, and will continue to receive additional doses regularly through November or when our pre-book amount is complete. CDC has projected that we should receive about 50% of our pre-book by the end of September. Flu season is right around the corner! The best way to help protect yourself, your family and your patients is to get the flu vaccine. During the 2014-2015 flu season, flu vaccination prevented an estimated 1.9 million flu-related illnesses and 67,000 flu-related hospitalizations. In the pediatric population, an average of 97 deaths occur each year from flu-related illness. In the 2014-2015 season, more than 60% of flu related deaths occurred in otherwise healthy but unvaccinated children. While in our senior population, influenza vaccination is especially important for adults 65 years of age and older as they are considered high risk for complications from the flu.

The American Pharmacists Association recently posted [Tdap Guide: Protecting Patients and Communities from Pertussis](#). This practice tool is a useful resource to assist and support pharmacists when consulting with patients about pertussis (whooping cough). It provides helpful information for pharmacists to consider when assessing, recommending, administering, and documenting Tdap vaccinations.

Have a great week!

**Phil Griffin, Deputy Director, Bureau of Disease Control and Prevention**



We are actively seeking a Regional Immunization Nurse Consultant to join the Kansas Immunization Program. One position will be stationed in North Central Kansas. Please visit the [State of Kansas job site for information about requisition number 1884450](#). If you have questions about the position please contact Phil Griffin at [pgriffin@kdheks.gov](mailto:pgriffin@kdheks.gov) or 785-296-8893.

## VFC Question of the Week–

### Q: What are the flu vaccine recommendations for the 2016-17 Influenza Season?

A: The following are key points from the Influenza session of the ACIP June 22, 2016 meeting:

Everyone 6 months and older should be vaccinated with inactivated (IIV) or recombinant influenza vaccine (RIV).

Voted interim recommendation that LAIV should not be given in the 2016-17 flu season due to data showing poor or relatively lower effectiveness of LAIV since 2013. The reason for the recent poor performance is not known.

In recent seasons, LAIV accounted for about one third of the flu vaccine used for children.

ACIP recommendations must be approved by the CDC director before they become official policy.



#### Vaccine Manufacturers:

Projected 171-176 million doses of flu vaccine would be available in the US during the 2016-17 season. LAIV accounts for 14 million of those doses (8% of total projected supply).

Additionally, Flucelvax Quadrivalent (cell culture-based inactivated influenza vaccine) Seqirus was licensed by FDA on May 23, 2016 for persons >4 years.

#### CDC:

Conducts vaccine effectiveness studies (VE) to identify how effective flu vaccine is during every flu season.

Overall VE (all ages, all viruses) for IIV was 49% indicating that millions of people were protected against flu last season.

**Final annual influenza recommendations on the prevention and control of influenza with vaccines will be published in a CDC Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR).**

## DID YOU KNOW

CDC has stated that Immunization providers may use last year's Flu IIV VIS. The VIS revision date is 8/7/15. CDC will not be revising the Flu VIS every year. If you have last year's Flu IIV VIS please, provide them to your patients prior to administering Flu vaccine this year.

## EPI Reporting Update

KDHE Infectious Disease and Epidemiology Response Section has developed a pertussis reporting form and we are requesting that it be used instead of the notifiable disease form when reporting any pertussis cases. The use of this form should lessen the number of patient inquiries from public health for physicians and nurses and ease the workload spent on conducting pertussis investigations for local health departments. This form can be found at: [http://www.kdheks.gov/epi/disease\\_reporting.html](http://www.kdheks.gov/epi/disease_reporting.html) under "Pertussis (Whooping Cough) Report Form (.pdf)".



## August is National Immunization Awareness Month (NIAM)-

**The purpose of NIAM is to celebrate the benefits of vaccination and highlight the importance of vaccination for people of all ages.**

August      Ready for school? Check those vaccine records. (school-aged children)  
Click for [2016-2017 School Requirements](#).



### Suggested themes for August 2016:

August 15-21      A healthy start begins with on-time vaccination (babies and young children)  
August 22-28      Ensure a healthy future with vaccines (preteens and teens)

### NIAM toolkit and other resources to support vaccination activities throughout August:

You can find the NIAM Toolkit by visiting the [KIP homepage](#) and clicking on the NIAM logo.  
More information can also be found here: <https://www.nphic.org/niam>

## National Immunization Awareness Month– Babies & Young Children



August is National Immunization Awareness Month (NIAM)! **The third week (August 15- 21) highlights vaccines for babies and young children.** The theme for the week is “A healthy start begins with on-time vaccination.”

Below are some actions you can take to help promote vaccination among parents of babies and young children:

- Update your materials with the latest information and sample key messages that are provided in NPHIC's [toolkit](#).
- Place the toolkit's ready-to-publish articles in newsletters, on your website, or in local news outlets. There are also sample news releases in the toolkits that you can tailor to your particular audience(s) to maximize their impact.
- Place NIAM [logos and banners](#) on your website and/or social media platforms to highlight your participation.
- Help us create a wave of support on Twitter and Facebook by signing up for the [#VaxWithMe Thunderclap](#). The Thunderclap will take place on **Wednesday, August 17, at 3:00pm ET**. For more information on Thunderclap, visit [www.thunderclap.it/faqs](http://www.thunderclap.it/faqs)
- Join the conversation on social media to promote childhood immunization and NIAM. Show your support for NIAM by including the hashtag #NIAM16 in your social media messages. We will also be using #VaxWithMe in our public outreach bring a personal, empowering, and impactful aspect to vaccine messages. We encourage you to use both hashtags when character count allows, targeting the public with #VaxWithMe and partners with #NIAM16, to show support and amplify the conversation. When character count is limited, we encourage you to use the hashtag that's more appropriate for your audience and communication goals. See the sample posts and tweets at the end of this message for ideas.
- Share CDC's [Protect Your Baby with Immunization](#) and [What Are the Reasons to Vaccinate My Baby?](#) features on your social media platforms during the last week of NIAM.
- Promote CDC's [Journey of Your Child's Vaccine](#) infographic or [9 Things to Make Shots Less Stressful](#) listicle on your website or social media platforms. See the attached document for more information about resources you can use and share.
- Encourage your audiences to check out CDC's newly redesigned [vaccine website for parents](#).
- Invite parents to participate in [What to Expect's Healthy Baby photo contest](#) during NIAM. Photos will feature happy babies at the doctor's office for their well baby visits. The contest will be open from August 8-17, 2016.
- Share your plans for NIAM by completing this [online form](#) and see what [other organizations](#) have planned.

**Join the conversation on social media** to promote adult immunization and NIAM. Show your support for NIAM by including the hashtag #NIAM16 in your social media messages. We will also be using #VaxWithMe in our public outreach to bring a personal, empowering and impactful aspect to vaccine messages. We encourage you to use both hashtags when character count allows, targeting the public with #VaxWithMe and partners with #NIAM16, to show support and amplify the conversation. When character count is limited, we encourage you to use the hashtag that's more appropriate for your audience and communication goals.



# KSWEBIZ Trainings



## Aggregate Inventory Training—Mondays at 1 p.m., First Friday at 10:30 a.m.

The Aggregate Inventory Training occurs the first Friday of every month from 10:30 -11:30 a.m. This call will go over the basics of the On Hand, Reconciliation (MIR submission) and Vaccine Ordering windows in KSWebIZ for Aggregate Users. Bring questions and examples of issues that your clinic is having with the end of the month reporting. **Please note:** this call is for KSWebIZ Aggregate Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/6598705111102500354>

Register now for the date that works best for you!

## Direct Entry Inventory Training— Tuesdays at 1 p.m., First Friday at 12 p.m.

The Direct Entry Inventory Training occurs the first Friday of every month from 12 -1 p.m. This call will go over the basics of the On Hand, Reconciliation (MIR submission) and Vaccine Ordering windows in KSWebIZ. Bring questions and examples of issues that your clinic is having with the end of the month reporting. **Please note:** this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Entry Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/4121654947304535298>

Register now for the date that works best for you!

## New User Training— Thursdays at 2 p.m., Second Friday at 12 p.m.

The New User Training occurs the second Friday of every month from 12 -1 p.m. This basic training is for new KSWebIZ users, or people who would like a simplified refresher training on how to use KSWebIZ. We will be going over log-in, adding history, administering vaccinations, printing consents and pink cards. If you are a new user, have a new token, or recently had a token transferred to you please take the time to sit in on this training! **Please note:** this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Register now for the date that works best for you! <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/1572841858584797442>

## School Module Training- Third Friday at 12 p.m.

The School Module Training occurs the third Friday of every month from 9 - 10 a.m. This basic training is for new KSWebIZ school module users, or people who would like a simplified refresher training. **Please note:** this call is for KSWebIZ School Module Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/8422671756415350273>

Register now for the date that works best for you!

## Reports Training- Fourth Friday at 12 p.m.

The Reports Training occurs the fourth Friday of every month from 12 - 1 p.m. This training is for KSWebIZ users who are wanting to learn more about the KSWebIZ Reports. We will be going over the various reporting sections and how to generate reports within these sections. We hope you have time to sit in on this training! **Please note:** this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Register now for the date that works best for you! <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/568840407867357186>

**NOTE:** There have been additional trainings scheduled during the week for New User Training, Direct Inventory Training and Aggregate Inventory Training. The new times can be found above and when you register and select a specific training time. If these times do not work with your schedule or you have additional training needs please reach out to the IIS trainer [msims@kdhhs.gov](mailto:msims@kdhhs.gov) or 785-296-0687



## Vaccine Information Statements–

Anthrax	3/10/10	MMR	4/20/12
Chickenpox	3/13/08	Tdap	2/24/15
DTaP/DT/DTP	5/17/07	MMRV	5/21/10
Hepatitis A	7/20/16	Multi-vaccine	11/05/15
Hepatitis B	7/20/16	PCV 13	11/05/15
Hib	4/2/15	PPSV	4/24/15
HPV9	3/31/16	Polio	7/20/16
HPV4 (Gardasil)	5/17/13	Rabies	10/6/09
HPV2 (Cervarix)	5/03/11	Rotavirus	4/15/15
Influenza (LAIV4)	8-07-15	Shingles	10/6/09
Influenza (IIV3 or IIV4)	8-07-15	Smallpox	10/01/09
Japan. enceph.	1/24/14	Td	2/24/15
MCV4/MPSV4	3/31/16	Typhoid	5/29/12
MenB	8/14/15	Yellow fever	3/30/11

## Vaccine Redistribution

Please email any additions or changes to be made on the Vaccine Redistribution lists with subject matter “Redistribution” to [vaccine@kdheks.gov](mailto:vaccine@kdheks.gov) or call toll free at 1-877-296-0464  
[http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/vaccine\\_redistribution.htm](http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/vaccine_redistribution.htm)

**REMINDERS:** Providers may place the excess doses on the KIP Redistribution list if:

- 1) The vaccine has a minimum of 90 days and a maximum of 365 days before the vaccine's expiration date;
- 2) The ordering provider is responsible for any doses which expire on the redistribution list that have not been accepted for transfer to another VFC provider;
- 3) Providers accepting vaccine from the redistribution list are responsible for using the doses once they are transferred. KIP encourages providers to accept only doses they can administer before the expiration date;
- 4) The transferring and receiving provider will document these doses on their monthly MIR/reconciliation reports as transferred vaccines.
- 5) Once vaccine is transferred please contact KIP to let us know so we can adjust the redistribution list by either deleting the line or by reducing the amount of doses.
- 6) All vaccines must be in full boxes
- 7) The KIP nurse consultant who is on call must be contacted prior to transferring vaccine
- 8) Providers are responsible for keeping KIP notified if there is a change in amount of doses available for redistribution.
- 9) When placing an order, you may be contacted if the vaccine you are trying to order is on the redistribution list.
- 10) Varicella and Proquad, will not be posted on the VFC or Private Vaccine Redistribution List. Frozen Varivax vaccines are very intolerant to out of range temperatures. To prevent potential vaccine waste the Kansas immunization Program requests that Varivax containing vaccines not be transferred to other providers. Questions regarding transporting vaccine call 877-296-0464 to request assistance.

# Childhood Immunization Campaign Resources

CDC has created childhood immunization resources for partners, organizations, and the general public. Use these resources to educate parents about the importance of childhood immunization and to help healthcare professionals have more effective vaccine conversations.

All materials are free of charge. Some materials, where noted, are also available in Spanish. For more information, please contact us at: [childhoodvaccines@cdc.gov](mailto:childhoodvaccines@cdc.gov).

## Resources for Parents

### Parent Website

CDC recently redesigned this website to make it easier for parents to find immunization schedules, review information about vaccine safety, find tips for a successful shot visit, and learn about vaccine-preventable diseases and the vaccines that prevent them.

Promote this website or link to it. You can also syndicate pages by visiting: <https://tools.cdc.gov/medialibrary>.



<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/parents>

### Print Resources

Raise awareness in your communities and educate your audiences with print resources, including:

- Print ads and posters in various sizes in both color and black-and-white, in English and Spanish.
- Basic and in-depth fact sheets on vaccine-preventable diseases (basic versions also available in Spanish)
- Fact sheets on different vaccine safety topics.

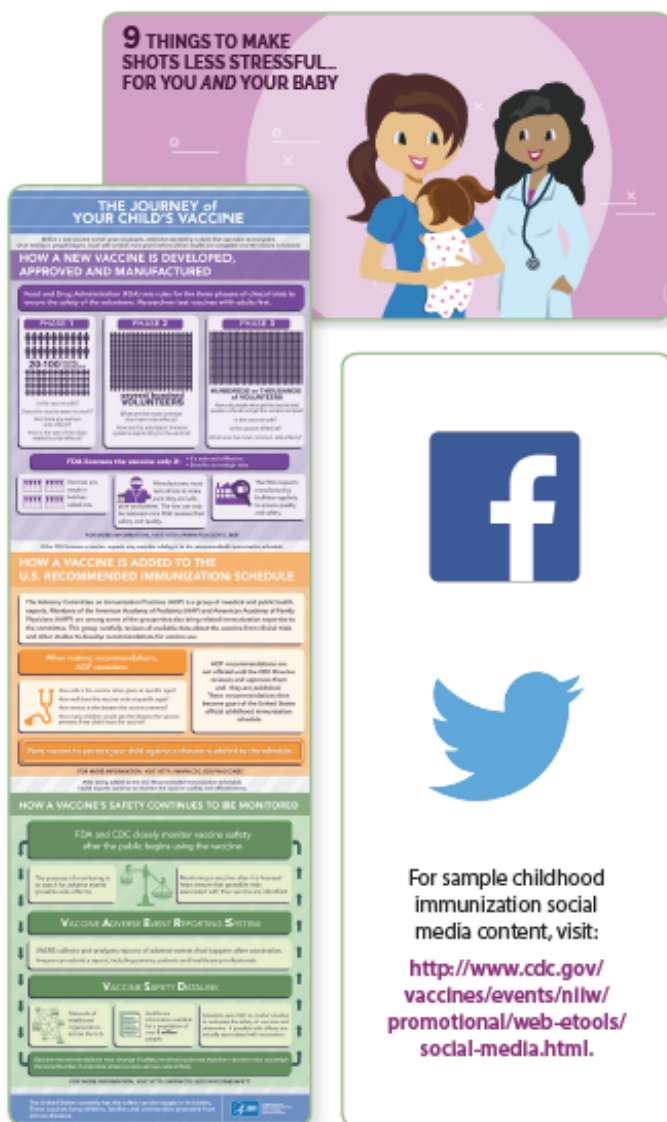
Print materials may be downloaded, copied, and distributed without alteration.



<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/parents/resources/childhood.html>

### Digital Resources

Show your support for childhood immunization by posting social media content and linking to our digital tools, including infographics and listicles.



Digital tools:

<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/parents/resources/childhood.html>

For sample childhood immunization social media content, visit:

<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/events/nlw/promotional/web-etools/social-media.html>.



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